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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

BETTER KEEP HANDS OFF.

We do not know whether it was wisdom or an inability to reach an agreement which caused the Tonopah Promotion committee, on Monday night, to shy from a declaration as to whether it favored Reno or Hazen as a railroad terminal rate point, but it is exceedingly well that such a declaration was not made. It is not as yet a question as to what town shall benefit by the terminal location, but as to whether Nevada is to be recognized and given a terminal rate.

The Southern Pacific company is not governed by a bunch of fools, nor has it any lack of money with which to fight for anything it desires, or against anything which it does not want foisted upon it. The Southern Pacific company does not want to grant a terminal rate to Nevada, for the simple fact that at present the Southern Pacific is making too easy a thing in the shape of the highway robbery rate charged on eastern shipments to Nevada points on that purely imaginary haul past Reno, or Hazen, or Hannapah city, or wherever the real terminal should be, to Sacramento and then back to any of the afore mentioned points. With a terminal rate for the state of Nevada, that rich graft will be ended. At present, Nevada is "velvet" for the Southern Pacific. If the terminal rate is enforced the Espee will have to make a slight pretense, at least, of earning the money it receives from the people of the state. Every man, woman and child in the state of Nevada is now paying an illegally collected tribute to the Espee company, for it adds directly to the price of everything which is shipped into the state, from a toothpick to a stamp mill; from baby's first shoes to its father's shirt. The Southern Pacific will be quick to take advantage of any break in the unanimity of the people of Nevada in demanding the terminal rate, and any community which will start this break is dominated by purely selfish influences, and cares not the idle snap of a finger for the good of the whole state. When the high priced Southern Pacific attorneys go before the interstate commerce commissioners who are to hear the terminal rate case, and prove, by witnesses, by newspaper clippings, and by other means which they will secure, that the demand for terminal rates is not by the people of the state as a whole, but by two or three jealous little communities which are after mere community aggrandizement, what will the commissioners say? Their comment on the proposition will be to the effect that they are settling no questions as to ownership of the brindle maverick, or helping to colonize Frog Hollow, and they will hie themselves away to where there is real work to be done, leaving the state to get what it may from the railroads. And that will be what the state has been getting right along, an opportunity to pungle.

We don't blame the Southern Pacific and the rest of the roads in the state for getting all it can out of the dear public. That's what it is in business for. "All the business will stand" is the slogan of the grocer, the clothier, the butcher, the baker, even the newspaper, as well as the railroads. There has been no law to say to the railroad "thou shalt not," and seeing that people still ride on and have freight shipped on its trains, the railroad reflects that the people are getting along very well, and then another advance in freight rates is framed up and enforced. It's like the old proposition of the prospector who had got his old jennet to the point where she could live on one straw a day, and then, "jest ez I had er got th' blankety, ongrateful brute t' th' pint whar I c'd afford ter keep her, she died, blank 'er." Only the Southern Pacific will see that she don't die.

We want to pass this out among the people who wish to be relieved of some of the oppression of the railroad: Keep your hands off of the proposition as to the location of the terminal rate point and—get the rate.

WHAT NEXT?

The appointment, by Acting Gtch says that whisky jelly made its appearance in North Yakima last week, being recommended by the representative of a Kentucky distillery as a panacea for local laws. The "drinkless drink" comes in the form of tablets or of stick candy, and can be chewed or dissolved in water, its effects being sufficiently like those of the "real stuff" to convince of its power. This solidified drink is said to be popular in the south, and the rumor of local option laws soon to go into effect in Washington led the manufacturers to find a field for it here.

What next? Are we to have "Sour Mash Mush," "Shredded Booze Biscuit," "Postum Budweiser," and "Highball Breakfast Food?" As far as whisky sticks go, we have them here, only they are not so highly esteemed as they are in North Yakima. The whisky stick here is in the outward semblance of a man, but it is not good to eat, or drink, or work, not worth enough to kill, and too blame useless to live—a whisky stick is all it is. But we think the south is slandered by the intimation that the "solidified drink" is popular there. The genuine southerner wants whisky straight, pure and in sufficient quantity, but will drink water rather than take on a substitute for the real thing.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPECTED.

The appointment, by Acting Governor Dickerson, of Peter J. Somers, as judge of the seventh judicial district in this state, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Langan, is no more than what might have been expected. Somers was chairman of the state Democratic central committee during the recent campaign, and had to be rewarded. He has his reward, and which, following so soon after the election, and considering the calibre of the men who were in line for the appointment, is the boldest piece of political jobbery and effrontery we have ever seen. Southern Nevada was completely ignored in its demands, made by Esmeralda county, that Judge O'Brien of Tonopah, familiar with conditions in this part of the state, an able jurist and with reputation above reproach, should be given the appointment. The plum tree is being shaken, and that without waiting for the fruit to become ripe.

Judge Pete Somers! An ever-adorning and sweet smelling landmark of the pathway of the Dickerson administration!

A dispatch from Bordeaux intimates that objections may be made to Castro landing on French soil. There is no telling what France may do, but, considering her propensity to harbor and garner from anybody and everybody that comes along, it does not seem likely that the dollars of the Venezuela president will be scornfully rejected.

Ore Shipments of Past Week

The following are the figures as to the ore shipments from Tonopah and Goldfield, for the third week of November, 1908, as compared with the same week of November, 1907, showing increase or decrease, respectively. The figures are furnished by the Tonopah and Goldfield railway officials:

From Tonopah—	1907.	1908.	Inc.	Dec.
Tonopah Mining	4387	3305	...	1082
Tonopah Belmont	1445	843	...	602
Jim Butler	32	207	175	...
Midway	204	93	...	111
West End	...	105	105	...
Broken Hills	...	52	52	...
Tonopah Ex.	71	...	...	71
Montana Tonopah	34	...	...	34
Total	6173	4605	...	1568
From Goldfield—				
Western Ore Purchasing Co.	749	282	...	467
Anglo California Bank	...	177	177	...
Mohawk	220	...	...	220
Mohawk Combination Lease	2965	...	...	2965
John S. Cook & Co.	53	...	...	53
Total	3987	459	...	3528

HOTEL ARRIVALS

MIZPAH HOTEL.

H. Morris, San Francisco; J. D. Campbell, Goldfield; George H. Taylor, Reno; P. M. Bogovich, Buckeye, Nevada; E. P. Carson, San Diego; B. F. Hulse and wife, Los Angeles; W. L. Clark, Los Angeles; C. R. Harris, Los Angeles; G. A. Giffen, Goldfield; Dick Maxwell, Goldfield; A. Ferguson, Manhattan; Peter Seaberg, Goldfield.

PALACE HOTEL.

George M. Lowrey, Pomfret Center, Connecticut; A. A. Averill, Pomfret Center, Connecticut; Cyrus E. Johnson, Round Mountain; Joseph Warren, Horseshoe; H. Towell, Horseshoe.

BANK AT OLPE, KANSAS ROBBED OF \$2000

EMPORIA (Kans.), Dec. 1.—Robbers blew open the safe of the Olpe bank, at Olpe, Kansas, ten miles south of here, early today, and got \$2000. They escaped on a Santa Fe handcar.

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SUPREME COURT WILL REVIEW "SAKE" CASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The supreme court of the United States today granted the petition of Komada and company, Japanese merchants of San Francisco, for a writ of certiorari in the case involving the tariff on the Japanese liquor known as "sake."

This action will bring the case to the supreme court for review. The case was decided by the federal circuit court of appeals adversely to the importers.

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BLUMENTHAL IS SHOWING THEM THE WAY

News Item—"A mysterious stranger has been winning fabulous sums from the roulette wheels at Monte Carlo."—Paris papers.

The identity of the mysterious stranger has at last been explained. Yesterday Grant and Newt Crumley, of the Nevada Club, received a postal card from Charles J. Blumenthal and it was dated at Monte Carlo and postmarked the thirteenth of last month. This is what it says:

"Have been in this delightful spot for two weeks and it is all to the velvet. They tried to show me how to play roulette and I put a great big kink in the bank roll. I demonstrated to the pikers here how the game was played in Tonopah and now they have placed a 10 cent limit on my bets. A conservative estimate of my winnings would reach up in the millions. It is my intention to settle here and if I do you can bet that the Prince of Monaco will be running a

peanut stand for a living inside of a week. I have an engagement with the prince this evening and probably before the night is over will be dealing him a little black jack. Wish Chris Malatesta was here so he could show his nobs the little shell game. Why it is like taking money from an eastern mining man playing Plute poker. If the bank roll don't hold out here I will leave in a few days for the Nile, where I have an engagement with Little Egypt, who wishes me to pass judgment on a new dance of hers before she presents it to the public. Au revoir—over the river.

"Charles J. Blumenthal.

"P. S.—4 a. m. Have just returned from the prince's shack, where I left him sleeping under the table. He surely is a bum. After we had a case of small ones he went to sleep and fell off his chair. Leave for the Pyramids in the morning.

"C. J. B."

CALL FOR BANK STATEMENT ISSUED BY COMPTROLLER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Comptroller of the Currency Murray today issued a call on national banks for a statement of their condition at the close of business on November 27.

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